

and 21, and amend claims 11 and 12 as described below:

11. (Amended) The connector as recited in claim [10] 20, wherein the identifier [includes] comprises a bar code.

12. (Amended) The connector as recited in claim 11 wherein the bar code extends [runs] circumferentially around the identifier.

--20. A connector adapted to connect a storage container for solution ingredients to a dialysis machine, said connector being disposed adjacent an outlet of the storage container and comprising an identifier indicating a type and quantity of the solution ingredients, said identifier being arranged to indicate a position of the connector to determine incomplete connection to the dialysis machine.

21. The connector as recited in claim 11, wherein the bar code indicates a pattern when the connection is complete, and a different pattern when the connection is incomplete.--

#### REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the captioned application is respectfully requested. Applicants have canceled claim 10, have added claims 20 and 21 to claim the subject matter to which applicants are entitled, and have amended claims 11 and 12. Claims 11, 12, 20 and 21 are pending.